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Overview

This bill appropriates funds to reduce the incidence of fetal alcohol syndrome.

Section

1 **Appropriation.** Paragraph (a) appropriates \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2016 and in fiscal year 2017 from the general fund to the commissioner of human services for a grant to the Minnesota Organization on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome so that organization can make grants to regional collaboratives to reduce the incidence of fetal alcohol syndrome.

Paragraph (b) defines regional collaboratives as partnerships between at least one local government and at least one community organization. Defines local government. Requires one regional collaborative to include Olmsted County and one to include St. Louis County.

Paragraph (c) requires collaboratives to provide intensive services to pregnant women suspected of or known to use or abuse alcohol or other drugs in order to reduce the incidence of fetal alcohol syndrome.

Paragraph (d) requires grants to be given to collaboratives in rural and urban areas.

Paragraph (e) instructs a grant recipient to make annual reports to the commissioner.